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LIST OF OFFICERS.

Town Clerk,
GEORGE T. LITCHFIELD.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health,
ISAAC F. KNOWLTON, GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS.

Treasurer,
JOHN L. WOODBURY.

School Committee,
GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, EVERETT A. SMITH,
LESTER E. LIBBY,

Tax Collector,
CHARLES W. APPLETON.

Auditor,
DANIEL C. SMITH.

Constables and Police Officers,
CHARLES E. WHIPPLE, GEORGE M. ADAMS,
ALFRED T. POOLE, NORMAN J. CONRAD,
CHARLES H. SMITH, SAMUEL E. McGLAUFLIN.

Keeper of Lockup,
GEORGE T. LITCHFIELD.

Tree Warden,
ALEXANDER JONES.

Trustees of Public Library,
AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER, GEORGE v. L. MEYER,
WILLARD C. WARE.

Cemetery Commissioners,
GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
FRANK C. NORTON.

Superintendent of Streets,
CHARLES E. WHIPPLE.

Inspector of Animals and Provisions,
GEORGE R. DODGE.

Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark.
DANIEL C. SMITH, JONA LAMSON, C. E. WHIPPLE.

Sealers of Leather.
ALDEN B. CHADWICK, GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,
FRANK C. NORTON.

Field Drivers,
FRED BERRY, FRED P. KILHAM, CHARLES S. GWINN,
JERRY HAWKINS, JONA LAMSON.

Pound Keeper,
NORMAN J. CONRAD.

ANNUAL REPORT.

Treasurer's Report.

JOHN L. WOODBURY, Treasurer.

Cash in Treasury, February 26, 1906,	$14,832	97
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts on account of Corporation tax, 1905,	240	30
On account of National Bank tax, 1905,	6	60
Corporation tax, 1906,	6833	51
National Bank tax, 1906,	669	46
Street Railway tax, 1906,	1039	31
State Aid reimbursed,	698	00
Salary of Superintendent of Schools	250	00
Indigent Soldier burial,	35	00
Reimbursement for gypsy and browntail moth,	1851	24
Gypsy moth work on State Highway,	245	64
City of Boston for tuition of pupils,	57	00
Burial lots,	60	00
Druggists licenses,	2	00

Pool room licenses,	2 00	
Victuallers licenses,	4 00	
Express licenses,	2 00	
Loan in anticipation of tax, Ipswich Savings Bank,	25,000 00	
E. H. Gay & Co., school extension board,	4700 00	
Premium on said loan,	147 00	
Premium on said loan, June to to July,	63 70	
Jacob Kinsman, burial lot fund,	2 20	
C. Burnham, burial lot fund,	4 50	
D. S. Allen, burial lot fund,	3 00	
M. A. Dodge, burial lot fund,	100 00	
Use of Road roller,	84 12	
Clerk of District Court less officers fees,	87 13	
Rent of hall,	48 00	
S. A. Johnson, fines, Sheriff,	75 00	
B. W. Palmer, highway improvements,	125 00	
George Burroughs, highway improvements,	125 00	
Dog tax,	372 54	
Scholars tickets and school books,	10 02	
Center hay scales,	5 50	
Interest allowed on deposits,	220 40	
C. W. Appleton, taxes 1905,	1022 33	
C. W. Appleton, taxes 1906,	26,918 60	
		$95,943 07

PAYMENTS.

Paid loan Ipswich Savings Bank 1905,	$20,000 00	
Interest on said loan,	716 66	
Loan Ipswich Savings Bank 1906,	15,000 00	
Loan interest on said loan,	895 00	
Principal on Town Hall and School house loan,	2150 00	
Interest on said loan,	529 00	
Interest Schoolhouse extension loan,	294 00	
Treasurer of Commonwealth one-fourth of druggists license,	50	
Selectmen's orders,	35,454 65	
School warrants,	9790 94	
State aid,	600 00	
County tax,	3417 91	
State tax,	3150 00	
State Highway tax,	72 05	
Officers fees in criminal cases,	40 22	
Public Library appropriation,	400 00	
M. A. Dodge Cemetery Fund,	100 00	
Care of D. S. Allen lot,	4 00	
J. Kinsman lot,	1 50	
G. T. Haynes lot,	2 00	
C. Burnham lot, two years,	5 50	
M. A. Dodge lot,	2 00	
		$92,625 93

Highway Department.

Appropriation,	$3000 00	
Received excise tax,	965 43	
Private subscription,	250 00	
		$4,215 43
C. E. Whipple, labor,	$813 00	
George M. Adams,	535 75	
E. D. Lovett,	360 70	
A. W. Day,	300 20	
E. A. Whipple,	262 44	
E. Pitman,	142 40	
George D. Babcock,	196 50	
Fred Berry,	122 20	
Joseph Badger,	130 80	
A. White,	85 50	
F. Knowlton,	85 00	
C. W. Ingalls,	70 60	
H. Palmer,	67 60	
G. B. Knowlton,	65 80	
F. Day,	62 60	
G. A. Dodge,	45 90	
R. Walsh,	36 00	
A. E. Whipple,	34 80	
H. L. Doucett,	34 40	
W. H. Dodge,	27 20	
A. Radmore,	27 00	
J. Martelle,	25 20	
J. F. Hawkins,	25 00	
T. Ahearn,	23 40	
A. S. Eastman,	21 60	
C. Martin,	21 60	

		$4,215 43
E. A. Smith,	$30 00	
J. Butler,	17 20	
J. Burns,	17 20	
J. Clifford,	14 40	
J. Lamson,	13 60	
Palmer Malanson,	12 60	
A. McPherson,	11 80	
W. Donahue,	9 00	
W. Thompson,	7 20	
F. M. Whipple,	5 84	
T. Sheehan,	5 40	
F. Wood,	3 30	
G. W. Fitz, gravel,	133 70	
A. W. Day, gravel,	54 20	
E. A. Smith, gravel,	21 40	
G. M. Adams, gravel,	22 50	
F. Knowlton, gravel,	17 20	
Est. Joseph Tucker, gravel,	5 30	
Essex Trap Rock Co., stone,	29 59	
J. F. Pope, lumber, Willowdale bridge,	36 53	
A. T. Poole, painting machine,	12 00	
C. S. Gwinn, drain pipe,	13 50	
C. S. Gwinn, supplies,	9 10	
C. S. Gwinn, manhole,	3 50	
Hamilton Hardware Co., supplies,	4 56	
S. C. Gould, supplies.	1 15	
	$4135 26	
Balance unexpended,	80 17	
	$4215 43	$4215 43

MAIN STREET SIDEWALK.

C. E. Whipple,	$14 40	
A. E. Whipple,	5 00	
G. D. Babcock,	4 00	
J. Badger,	3 60	
F. L. Knowlton,	3 60	
H. L. Doucett,	3 60	
A. White,	3 00	
	$37 20	$37 20

PLEASANT STREET SIDEWALK

Appropriation,		$25 00
C. E. Whipple,	$23 20	
Balance unexpended,	1 80	
	$25 00	$25 00

MACADAM OF WALNUT STREET.

Appropriation,		$2000 00
Paid, T. E. McGlauflin as per contract,	$2346 95	
Boston Advertiser, advertising,	4 20	
Boston Herald, advertising,	2 75	
Beverly Times, advertising,	1 75	
Salem News, advertising,	1 50	
Amount overdrawn,		357 16
	$2357 16	$2357 16

REMOVING SNOW.

$2000 00

Paid C. E. Whipple,	238 70
E. Lawrence,	149 15
T. A. Moynihan,	56 80
G. M. Adams,	41 60
A. E. Whipple,	29 50
A. C. Cummings,	28 45
A. W. Day,	27 40
E. D. Lovett,	26 20
E. A. Smith,	24 60
G. A. Dodge,	15 60
C. S. Smith,	13 00
D. D. Stone,	11 60
F. Berry,	10 00
A. Southwick,	8 90
M. S. Lovering,	8 50
R. Berry,	8 00
F. Dane,	9 15
J. Badger,	7 00
A. B. Chadwick,	6 80
E. P. Dodge,	6 60
R. C. Hanaden,	8 20
A. E. Peatfield,	5 40
T. Stewart,	5 00
W. H. Austin,	4 80
J. Lamson,	4 80
A. Shepperson,	4 00
James Hart,	3 80
C. Buzzell,	3 80
B. E. Dodge,	3 80

		$2000 00
H. E. Dodge,	$3 80	
P. Benvie,	3 60	
W. Cheever,	3 60	
A. O'Shea,	3 60	
F. McDonald,	3 20	
Alden Southwick,	5 10	
C. Varnum,	2 95	
E. Pitman,	2 80	
V. F. Dodge,	2 60	
J. A. Cox,	2 40	
W. H. Dodge,	2 00	
J. Williams,	2 00	
F. Tappan,	2 00	
L. S. Dodge,	2 00	
H. N. McGregor,	1 80	
G. R. Dodge,	1 80	
H. Day,	1 80	
R. Tucker,	1 65	
I. Hopkins,	1 60	
J. Wright,	1 60	
L. W. Dodge,	1 60	
C. H. Case,	1 40	
A. Trask,	1 10	
A. H. Dane,	1 00	
E. R. Stone,	1 00	
J. Pitman,	2 40	
J. H. Grant,	90	
A. Frost,	65	
J. Burchstead,	60	
C. A. Hobbs,	40	
J. Tucker,	40	

		$2000 00
Ephraim Pitman,	2 80	
Scully & Morrow, repairing snow plow,	2 50	
L. Durkee,	1 00	
	$840 80	
Balance unexpended,	1159 20	
	$2000 00	$2000 00

Suppression of the Gypsy and Browntail Moths.

CHAPTER 381, 1905.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Town liability,	$1120 77	
Allowed by State,	1851 24	
Town appropriation,	2000 00	
State Highway contract,	245 64	
Private property assessment,	1298 65	
	$6516 30	
Less amount paid January and February, 1906,	1591 82	
		$4924 52
Paid George H. Gibney, superintendent, labor, team and expenses,	$682 50	
Thomas Stewart, labor,	459 50	
E. D. Lovett,	292 00	
Amos Hatt,	269 00	
S. I. Redlon,	221 20	

		$4924 52
J. Williams,	214 00	
William Huring,	109 70	
E. Burke,	100 00	
A. Shepperson,	98 00	
J. Chisholm,	93 00	
T. Sweeney,	79 30	
J. Rhoades,	79 00	
E. Terry,	73 00	
E. Brewer;	63 00	
J. Murray,	58 00	
A. Dixon,	56 70	
Percy Dodge,	48 20	
F. Tappan,	38 00	
William Channell,	35 00	
E. McGregor,	35 00	
A. Hill,	25 00	
W. O'Keefe,	21 00	
D. C. Smith,	20 00	
S. T. Hanaden,	18 00	
J. Ryan,	18 00	
J. Bird,	15 00	
A. Radmore,	14 50	
W. Abbott,	13 00	
E. Hanaden,	13 00	
George I. Dodge,	12 00	
M. Grady,	10 00	
W. Clark,	8 00	
A. C. Cummings,	6 00	
H. W. Smith,	5 00	
A. Palmer,	5 00	

		$4924 25
A. O'Shea,	4 40	
Paul Smith,	3 00	
A. H. Dane,	2 00	
E. A. Smith,	2 00	
A. B. Chadwick,	2 80	
Hamilton Hardware Co., supplies,	87 97	
W. H. Claflin, burlap,	95 37	
Smith & Thayer, spraying machine,	39 85	
Smith & Thayer, supplies,	22 24	
Thomas Horan, contract,	22 75	
Hobbs, Warren Co., supplies,	17 55	
C. S. Gwinn, supplies,	15 60	
Dyer Supply Co.,	12 00	
John Man, supplies,	10 20	
B. & M. R. R., freight,	6 75	
O. E. McQuiney, straps,	3 00	
Alden Spear, creosote,	2 00	
American Express Co.,	1 55	
A. E. Peatfield, supplies,	1 32	
George R. Dodge, burning brush,	80	
John Melanson, filing saws,	50	
	$3661 22	
Balance unexpended,	1263 27	
	$4924 52	$4924 52

Report of the local Superintendent for Suppressing the Brown-Tailed and Gypsy Moth.

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

Our town is generally infested by the gypsy moth. Large colonies have been found in the woods both in Wenham Swamp on the west and Chebacco Woods on the east, and unless prompt action be taken at once for their suppression, a large amount of money will have to be eventually spent. This matter has been taken up at the office of the State Superintendent and I am in hopes with their assistance and the aid of property owners that a lot of good work can be done this season.

The brown-tailed moth is now nearly extinct, caused largely by fungus and the severe winter of 1906. The work has been carried on the whole season, cutting and destroying the brown-tailed nests and painting the gypsy nests in the early Spring, later burlaping the street trees and trees on private property in thickly settled portions of the town, then destroying the caterpillar found under the burlap and places badly infested, spraying was done, a great many hollow trees were plugged and cemented, the roadsides have in a large measure been cleared by cutting and burning brush and worthless trees.

I will again call the attention of private owners to the importance of cutting and burning the wild cherry and other worthless trees and to the plugging and cementing up of hollow trees.

The last half of a year under chapter 381, acts 1905, expires May 1, 1907, the Town's liability under the above act is $560.38 and above this amount the State will reimburse it 100 per cent. to the amount of a sum not exceeding $1000,

making the amount to be expended from January 1st to May 1st, $1560.38. I wish to thank the property owners for the good work they have done and the assistance they have given your superintendent.

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
Local Superintendent.

Report of the South Schoolhouse Extension Building Committee.

The committee submits the following report:

At the annual town meeting held last March a committee was appointed to investigate as to the best method of supplying additional room for scholars at the south Hamilton schoolhouse, as called for in the report of the school committee.

This committee attended to their duty and reported at a special meeting held May 15, 1906.

The small number of voters present necessitated an adjournment to May 22, at which meeting it was voted to build an addition of four rooms to the South schoolhouse, and to purchase land of Alexander McDonald to enlarge the school yard.

The sum of $14,700 was voted to be raised and appropriated for these purposes.

The investigating committee was elected a building committee. The sum of $100 had been provided for use of the committee.

On May 24th the committee met and organized as follows:

George K. Knowlton, *chairman*
Everett A. Smith, *Secretary*
Lester E. Libby,
Isaac F. Knowlton,
George H. Gibney,
Arthur C. Cummings,
Frederick Winthrop,
Willard C. Ware,

Frank C. Norton in place of Frank P. Trussell, resigned.

As it was desirable to have the addition completed as early in the opening part of the school year as possible business was pushed along rapidly.

Mr. Edwin B. Balcomb of Salem, was selected for the architect, he having given good satisfaction as architect of the original building.

A strip of land on the westerly boundary line of the school yard, 225 feet long and 60 feet wide was purchased for $700.

The contract for putting in the cellar was awarded to T. E. McGlauflin for $699.

The contract for the building was awarded to Henry B. Wallis & Son of Beverly for $11,053 and for pump work to C. J. Jager Co., Boston for $76.80; extra and other work done without contract. The work was sufficiently completed to open all the Schools in the building on Monday, October 1st.

The work has all been well done, and a vote of thanks was passed by the committee to Henry B. Wallis & Son for their prompt and faithful service in the constructon of the building, and also to Mr. E. B. Balcomb for his faithful work, and impartial superintendency.

An unfortunate matter occurred owing to a conflict between two state inspectors, whereby the two steam boilers in the basement had to be re-set and which put the town to quite an additional expense.

If the Building Inspection Laws admit of this kind of work they should be changed at once.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Town appropriation for four room extension,	$14,000 00
Town appropriation for land,	700 00
Town appropriation for use of committee,	100 00
	$14,800 00

Paid Henry B. Wallace & Son, contract for building,	$11,053 00
Paid, extra work, Henry B. Wallace & Son, stock and labor,	425 76
Changing ventillation pipe, order of ins.	34 60
Work on boilers, order of inspector,	25 50
Steam pump work,	6 85
Repairs on old closets,	56 95
Well pipe to old well outside,	31 05
Changing water pipe inside,	40 63
Sink in boys basement,	10 30
Plumbing for labratory,	65 05
Setting labratory table,	58 70
Mason work, work setting boilers,	363 97
Plastering old stairway,	20 15
Painting,	9 67
Bell chain,	1 10
Paid Henry B. Wallace and Son,	$12,203 28

T. E. McGlauflin, contract for cellar,	$699 00
" " building pens,	100 00
" " mason work,	35 20
" " changing fence,	21 50
C. J. Jager Co., contract and steam pump work,	76 80
Salem Steam Boiler Works, repairing boiler,	83 80
Edwin B. Balcomb, architect,	718 89
Edwin B. Balcomb, for discharge of mortgage,	2 50
Charles Ferguson, inspector of boilers,	10 00
Salem News, ad,	4 50

George K. Knowlton, time and expense,	25 36
Alexander McDonald, land,	700 00
	$14,800 00
Balance unexpended,	$119 17

George K. Knowlton,
Everett A. Smith,
Lester E Libby,
George H. Gibney,
Isaac F. Knowlton,
Arthur C. Cummings,
Frederick Winthrop,
Willard C. Ware,
Frank C. Norton,

Building Committee.

Poor Department.

Appropriation,		$1300 00
Paid Mary Fillebrown, rent, Curran family,	$45 00	
L. F. Dane, milk, Curran family,	19 98	
C. S. Gwinn, coal, Curran family,	20 25	
F. C. Norton, supplies, Curran family,	100 42	
I. F. Knowlton, supplies, Curran family,	8 00	
C. E. Whipple, wood, Curran family,	21 00	
C. H. Davis, M. D., attendance Curran family,	19 50	
S. A. Gentlee, burial of Curran child,	32 00	
G. E. Roberts, burial of Curran child,	3 00	

		$1300 00
Beverly Hospital, care of Curran child,	2 00	
C. A. Hobbs, board of Edward Trussell,	260 00	
A. W. Stone, supplies, Edward Trussell,	17 10	
C. H. Davis, M. D., attendance, Edward Trussell,	7 50	
City of Beverly, aid, Dossett family,	26 35	
City of Beverly, aid, Ingalls family,	53 60	
City of Haverhill, aid, Bridges family,	61 00	
City of Gloucester, aid, H. Pitman,	43 00	
Town of Danvers, aid, Charles Pinkham,	20 39	
City of Salem, matron and meals for Mrs. Lucas,	4 00	
C. A. Ahearne, M. D., medical examination of Mrs. Lucas,	8 00	
F. Dane, board of A. Jowder,	50 00	
A. W. Stone, supplies for A. Jowder,	3 00	
B. F. Young, burial of Lucinda Corse,	50 00	
G. E. Roberts, burial of Lucinda Corse,	5 00	
Phillip E. Clark, burial of unknown man,	25 00	
G. E. Roberts, burial of unknown man,	5 00	
A. E. Whipple, removing dead man,	15 00	

		$1300 00
C. H. Davis, M. D., attendance to prisoner,	4 50	
Sarah B. Dodge, assistance,	102 00	
	$1031 59	
Balance unexpended,	268 41	
	$1300 00	$1300 00

Decoration Day.

Appropriation		$50 00
Paid J. L. Woodbury,	$15 00	
Balance unexpended,	35 00	
	$50 00	$50 00

SALARIES AND FEES.

Appropriation,		$2500 00
Paid I. F. Knowlton, services as selectman,	$100 00	
" " assessor,	100 00	
" " overseer of the poor,	50 00	
" " register of voters,	15 00	
" " committee on street,	25 00	
" " perambulating lines,	15 00	
" " board of health,	5 00	
" " ten journeys out of town,	30 00	
Paid G. H. Gibney, services as selectman,	100 00	
" " assessor,	185 00	
" " board of health,	25 00	
" " overseer of poor,	50 00	
" " committee on streets,	25 00	

		$2500 00
Paid G. H. Gibney, clerical work,	25 00	
" " perambulating lines,	15 00	
" " register of voters,	15 00	
" " journeys out of town,	60 00	
" " fumigating four houses,	15 00	
Paid A. C. Cummings, services as selectman,	100 00	
" " assessor,	100 00	
" " overseer of poor,	50 00	
" " board of health,	25 00	
" " register of voters,	15 00	
" " committee on streets,	25 00	
" " perambulating lines,	15 00	
" " journeys out of town,	30 00	
Paid J. L. Woodbury, treasurer,	150 00	
G. T. Litchfield, town clerk,	75 00	
G. T. Litchfield, register of voters,	15 00	
H. E. Andrews, auditor pro tem,	20 00	
George K. Knowlton, school committee,	75 00	
L. E. Libby, school committee,	50 00	
E. A. Smith, school committee,	50 00	
S. E. McGlauflin, constable,	117 12	
" " dog constable,	30 00	
" " recovering coat for Mrs. George L. Meyer,	24 75	
A. T. Poole, constable,	77 00	
A. T. Poole, election officer,	5 00	
C. E. Whipple, constable,	15 00	
C. E. Whipple, election officer,	5 00	
G. M. Adams, constable,	27 00	
N. J. Conrad, constable,	18 50	
George R. Dodge, inspector cattle,	37 30	
George D. Litchfield, police,	16 00	
C. W. Appleton, election officer,	5 00	

		$2500 00
H. S. Gwinn, teller,	5 00	
S. C. Goodhue, teller,	5 00	
A. B. Towle, teller,	5 00	
F. H. Woodward, teller,	2 50	
E. N. Pierce, teller,	1 50	
	$2046 67	
Balanance unexpended,	453 33	
	$2500 00	$2500 00

SOUTH SCHOOL EXTENSION.

Appropriation,		$14,700 00
Paid H. B. Wallace, contract,	$12,203 28	
T. E. McGlauflin, contract,	834 70	
A. McDonald, land,	700 00	
E. B. Balcomb, architect,	721 39	
Salem Steam Boiler Works, moving boilers,	83 80	
C. J. Jaguer & Co., labor,	76 80	
G. K. Knowlton, labor,	25 36	
G. Brown, brick,	21 00	
Mass. Dis. police inspecting,	10 00	
Salem News, advertising,	4 50	
	$14,680 83	
Balance unexpended,	19 17	
	$147,00 00	$14,700 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		$150 00
Paid A. L. Perley, janitor,	$25 00	
" " supplies,	1 80	
" " express,	25	

		$150 00
S. C. Gould, supplies,	22 91	
C. S. Gwinn, coal,	3 50	
A. M. Adams, rent,	15 00	
W. N. Sawyer, leathering pumps,	1 25	
James Cox, fighting fire,	3 70	
E. McGregor, " "	2 00	
C. W. Appleton " "	2 00	
E. P. Dodge, " "	2 00	
W. H. Huring, " "	2 00	
T. E. McGlauflin, " "	2 00	
P. H. Roberts, " "	2 00	
M. S. Lovering,	1 30	
W. N. Sawyer,	1 00	
A. C. Smith,	80	
A. F. Lougee,	80	
W. Gould,	80	
J. E. Dodge,	80	
G. Bordeau,	80	
J. R. Mansfield,	80	
A. C. Cummings,	75	
A. E. Whipple,	60	
W. F. Moore,	60	
A. Dressault,	60	
J. Dressault,	60	
A. A. Whipple,	50	
A. R. Stone,	50	
H. Goodhue,	50	
H. F. Allen,	40	
A. C. Cummings, use of horses,	18 00	
	$115 56	
Balance unexpended,	34 44	
	$150 00	$150 00

SOLDIER'S RELIEF.

Appropriation,		$150 00
Paid S. C. Gould, supplies, R. Bridges,	$122 05	
J. V. Hubbard, " "	3 00	
Brown Drug Co., " "	2 10	
C. H. Davis, M. D., attendance, R. Bridges,	24 00	
M. H. Eaton, M. D., attendance, R. Bridges,	11 00	
Balance overdrawn,		12 15
	$162 15	$162 15

CEMETERY.

Appropriation,		$500 00
Paid G. E. Roberts, labor,	$54 00	
A. E. Whipple, labor,	15 00	
G. K. Knowlton, labor,	4 28	
J. F. Pitman, labor,	3 50	
S. E. McGlauflin, labor on tomb,	3 25	
Hobbs, Warren Co., supplies,	75 00	
A. T. Poole, painting tool houses,	12 00	
C. A. Metcalf, surveying,	11 52	
F. C. Norton, supplies,	10 18	
G. T. Litchfield, recording deeds,	8 50	
C. E. Whipple, manure,	4 00	
J. L. Woodbury, repairing pump,	50	
	$201 73	
Balance unexpended,	298 27	
	$500 00	$500 00

ELECTRIC WIRING OF TOWN HALL.

Appropriation,		$400 00
Paid Lee Electric Co., contract,	$391 50	
Balance unexpended,	8 50	
	$400 00	$400 00

TOWN HALL.

Appropriation,		$1000 00
Paid G. T. Litchfield, balance due, 1905, janitor,	50 00	
G. T. Litchfield, janitor,	300 00	
C. S. Gwinn, coal,	153 14	
F. C. Norton, supplies,	64 63	
C. E. Whipple, manure,	36 00	
I. F. Knowlton, wood,	28 00	
J. Goddard, whitewashing,	24 00	
R. Robertson Co., repairs,	17 13	
C. W. Appleton, repairs,	14 80	
F. R. Schaller, piano,	7 00	
Beverly Gas & Electric Co., electricity,	3 78	
Scully & Morrow, repairs,	1 50	
J. W. Goodhue, keys,	1 25	
J. L. Woodbury, repairing lawn mower,	2 25	
" " " locks,	1 00	
" " " chair,	25	
	$704 73	
Balance unexpended,	295 27	
		$1000 00

SOUTH SCHOOL PIANO.

Appropriation,		$50 00
Paid F. R. Schaller, balance due.,	49 00	
Balance unexpended,	1 00	
		$50 00

STEAM ROLLER.

Appropriation,		$500 00
Paid W. J. Channell, engineer,	303 00	
C. S. Gwinn, coal,	83 61	
Hamblett, Hayes Co., supplies,	20 35	
Buffalo Steam Roller Co., repairs,	17 50	
Ira A. Smith, supplies,	4 90	
C. E. Whipple, flagman, roller,	66 00	
	$495 36	
Balance unexpended,	4 64	
	$500 00	$500 00

STREET WATERING.

Appropriation,		$700 00
Paid C. E. Whipple, watering,	$250 00	
A. C. Cummings, watering,	191 10	
G. M. Adams, watering,	175 00	
G. T. Litchfield, pumping,	37 50	
Globe Gas Light Co., gasoline,	18 99	
W. N. Sawyer, repairs,	6 66	
Smith & Thayer, supplies,	6 50	
	$685 75	
Balance unexpended,	14 25	
	$700 00	$700 00

Amount of water pumped 347,000 gallons.
Amount of gasoline used, 137 gallons.

STREET LIGHTING.

Appropriation,		$2050 00
Paid Globe Gas Light Co., lighting,	$2060 04	
Balance overdrawn,		10 04
		$2060 04

CLARK CASE.

Paid Estate of E. Clark,	$525 00	
G. H. Gibney, witness,	12 00	
I. F. Knowlton, witness,	9 00	
D. D. Stone, witness,	7 00	
G. M. Adams, witness,	6 90	
A. C. Cummings, witness,	6 00	
W. Abbott, witness,	4 60	
Mrs. F. Merrill, witness,	2 30	
		$572 80

TREE WARDEN.

Appropriation,		$150 00
Paid T. Stewart,	$60 00	
G. H. Gibney,	40 00	
C. E. Whipple,	21 00	
	$121 00	
Balance unexpended,	29 00	
		$150 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Appropriation,		$800 00
Paid Barry Printing Co., town report,	$104 15	
Barry Printing Co., printing notices,	5 50	
A. H. Dane, insurance South school,	120 00	
J. M. Striley, insurance school,	120 00	
N. E. Telephone Co., telephone and tolls.	40 27	
Hobbs, Warren Co., supplies,	35 08	
E. D. Lovett, carriages,	55 75	
Chelmsford Foundry Co., casting.	29 40	
G. L. Allen, insurance.	50 00	
A. C. Cummings, team for selectmen,	29 57	
A. C. Cummings, team for police,	33 75	
G. T. Litchfield, care of clock,	25 00	
" " adm. of oaths,	14 25	
" " recording births,	17 50	
" " recording deaths,	6 80	
" " recording marriages,	5 60	
" " return of Rep. vote,	2 00	
" " return of dog license,	2 00	
Hamilton Hardware Co., supplies,	41 34	
Clara Appleton, stamp,	14 00	
American Express Co., express,	12 60	
F. P. Stanton, supplies,	20 03	
B. M. R. R. Co., freight,	5 84	
Howard Clock Co., repairs,	8 64	
S. A. Malone, repairs,	12 00	
Lila Strott, abstracts,	15 70	
George E. Roberts, care of green,	13 20	
Barbour Stockwell Co., castings,	10 50	

		$800 00
C. H. Davis, M. D., returning birth,	11 25	
George G. Bailey, M. D., returning birth,	50	
George H. Gibney, supplies and postage,	5 00	
Charles A. Metcalf & Co., surveying,	5 34	
C. W. Appleton, printing tax bills,	5 00	
J. L. Woodbury, car fare,	10 38	
" " postage,	1 00	
" " repairing ladder,	50	
C. E. Whipple, posting warrants,	12 00	
C. E. Whipple, cleaning pound,	5 00	
N. J. Conrad, carriages,	5 00	
N. J. Conrad, supplies,	8 70	
Robert Robertson Co., repairing stand pipe at depot,	3 00	
C. H. Davis, M. D., vaccination,	1 50	
Baltimore Enamel Co., signs,	90	
I. Quimby, supplies,	50	
C. S. Gwinn, bbl. cement,	2 40	
B. F. Young, returns of deaths,	3 00	
	$931 44	
Balance overdrawn,		$131 44
		$931 44

ABATEMENTS.

A. W. Appleton, Collector allowed on abatements as follows:

Fred Balse,	Poll	$2 00
Edwin Barker	"	2 00
Carl Aylward	"	2 00

Dors Bordeau	Poll, two years	$4 00	
James A. Davis	"	2 00	
James E. Dow	"	2 00	
Benjamin C. Dodge	"	2 00	
William Gould	"	2 00	
Orville W. Hall	"	2 00	
John Horan	"	2 00	
Charles Ingalls	"	2 00	
Thomas McCulick	"	2 00	
H. W. Porter	"	2 00	
Thomas Robinson	"	2 00	
A. Trask	"	2 00	
William Woodworth	"	2 00	
David Lundstrum	"	2 00	
Julian Codman	Poll and Real	2 83	
John J. Crosby	Real	3 32	
Estate Joseph H. Knowlton	Real	8 30	
Estate Carrie E. Porter	"	6 58	
Charles Thompson	"	8 30	
S. A. Waitte	"	3 32	
Elijah B. Woodworth	"	20 75	
Elizabeth G. Johnson	"	5 81	
Frank Brown		2 80	
Estate William A. Prince, personal		32 20	
Anna E. Whipple, personal		42	
John R. Mann, gypsy moth account		4 00	
			$134 63

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town note, 1905,	$20,000 00
" " interest on same,	716 66
" " 1906,	15,000 00

Paid Town note, interest on same,	$895 00
Town Hall and school loan,	2150 00
Town Hall and school loan interest,	529 00
South school extension interest,	294 00
County tax,	3417 91
State tax,	3150 00
State Highway tax,	72 05
One-fourth druggists license, (2)	50
Public library,	400 00
School warrant,	9790 94
Constable fees,	40 22
State Aid,	600 00
Burial lots,	15 00
M. A. Dodge, trust fund,	100 00
Highway department,	4135 26
Snow,	840 80
Suppression of gypsy and brown-moths,	3661 25
Steam roller,	495 36
Street watering,	685 75
Street lighting,	2060 04
Fire department,	115 56
Cemetery,	201 73
Town Hall,	704 73
Tree warden,	121 00
Poor department,	1031 59
Soldier's relief,	162 15
Salaries and fees,	2046 67
Miscellaneous,	931 44
Abatements,	134 63
Clark case,	572 80

Decoration Day,	$15 00	
Electric wiring Town Hall,	391 50	
South school, piano,	49 00	
South school extension,	14,680 83	
Macadamizing Walnut street,	2357 16	
Main street sidewalk,	37 20	
Pleasant street sidewalk,	23 20	
		$92,625 92
Treasurer's receipt,	$92,625 93	
Treasurer's expenditures,	95,943 07	
Balance,	$3317 14	
Due from Commonwealth Massachusetts		
Corporation tax,	$7107 25	
Bank tax,	117 29	
Collector of taxes,	2109 27	
Due Ipswich Savings Bank, note,		$10,000 00

Auditor's Report.

The foregoing accounts of Selectmen and Treasurer have this day been examined by me and accounts found as stated.

HORACE E. ANDREWS,
Auditor pro tem.

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON,
GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
A. C. CUMMINGS,
Selectmen of Hamilton.

Assessors' Report.

Value of buildings,	$1,001,280 00	
Value of land,	641,510 00	
Value of real estate,		$1,642,790 00
Value of personal,		1,485,790 00
Total valuation,		$3,128,580 00
Tax on real estate,		13,593 93
Tax on personal,		12,346 23
Tax on polls,		824 00
		$26,764 16
Gypsy moth assessment,		$1298 65
Corporation tax, 1905,		240 30
Corporation tax, 1906,		6833 51
National Bank tax, 1905,		6 60
National Bank tax, 1906,		669 46
Street railway tax,		1039 31
Street railway excise tax,		965 43
Tax on polls,		2 00
Rate per thousand,		8 30
Number of horses assessed,		440
" " cows,		277
" " neat cattle other than cows,		32
" " swine,		70
" " fowl,		2960
" " dwellings,		798
" " acres of land,		8694 1-2
" " tax payers,		699
" " tax payers, polls only,		211

Town Clerk's Report.

Received for dog licenses and paid to County Treasurer for 1906. $485 00

Number of dogs, males, 142; females, 31.

BIRTHS RECORDED.

Jan. 25. Ozilon J., son to Ozilon and Adel Trembly.
Feb. 15. Charles, son to Alfred and Minnie Poole.
Mar. 3. Sarah A., daughter to Oscar A. and Grace A. Wood.
Mar. 30. Helen, daughter to John C. and Mary E. Chisholm.
Apr. 1. Selma, daughter to Onesime and Lena Christian.
Apr. 16. Alice G., daughter to Thomas and Sarah Sweeney.
Apr. 24. Frances E., daughter to Frank C. and Mary E Back.
May 3. Ceslama, daughter to Charles and Mary Vronskofsky.
May 6. Arthur F., son to Edward and Emma C. McGregor.
May 14. Anna P., daughter to Philip and Mary Scully.
May 14. Caleb J., son to Philip and Mary Scully.
May 15. Harry F., son to Charles W and Beatrice Holmes.
May 28. Frank C., son to Linwood J. and Ethel Estey.
May 28. Alice, daughter to Thomas and Emila Collusky.
June 30. Frederic, Jr., son to Frederic and Dorothy Winthrop.
July 3. Hazel M., daughter to Ahal and Margaret Crossman.
July 8. Daughter to Edward S. and Ethel Stokes.
July 17. Patrick, son to Thomas J. and Mary Burns.
July 23. Francis A., son to Joseph W. and Mary Cooper.
Aug. 5. Leslie I., son to Egbett and Nellie Hutt.
Aug. 11. Thelma M., daughter to William G. and Georgianna Ball.
Aug. 13. John Q., son to Quinn and Alice McGregor.
Sept. 1. Beatrice H., daughter to Linwood and Bertha Wilkins.
Sept. 3. Albert G., son to George E and Augusta Homans
Sept. 9. Robert L., son to Ernest M. and Bertha Barker.
Oct. 5. Geraldine P., daughter to Winthrop F. and Alice Dodge.
Nov. 7. Everett, son to Harrison and Mary Croker.

Nov. 24. Carlton W., son to Charles A. and Blanch McRea.
Nov. 25. Paul, daughter to William A. and Catherine Brumby.
Dec. 6. Dorothy, daughter to Peter and Ella Duran.
Dec. 7. Raymond H., son to Henry Jr., and Catherine Stone.
Dec. 15. Richard, son to Charles L. and Annie Windsor.
Dec. 16. Hope, daughter to Frank W. and Martha W. Buzzell.
Dec. 16. Florence M., daughter to William G. and Ida B. French.
Dec. 22. Dorothy L., daughter to John F. and Margaret Morrow.

MARRIAGES RECORDED.

Jan. 13. William J. Abbot of Hamilton and Gertrude Robinson of Salem.
Feb. 2. Charles A. Grace of Salem, and Ida M. Elliott of Beverly.
Feb. 24. Thomas Armstrong of Beverly, and Alice McFarland of Hamilton.
May 2. Simon Lundstrum of Hamilton and Annie Holmes of Hamilton.
May 5. John McDonald of Hamilton and Rachail G. Stillings of Hamilton.
May 8. Alfred J. Hooper of Hamilton and Susie Lougee of Hamilton.
June 2. Edward C. Hillier of Hamilton and Louisa P. Flynn of Boston.
June 6. Burton M. Gwinn of Hamilton and Velma Miller of Salem.
June 27. Jonathan Lamson, Jr. of Hamilton and Grace B. Orne of Hamilton.
June 27. Charles F. Davis of Hamilton and Mary G. Bradley of Peabody.
June 27. Allen McDonald of Hamilton and Etta B. Tucker of Hamilton.
June 26. Harold M. Dodge of Hamilton and Lexina McLean of Hamilton.
June 26. Leslie B. Harlow of Lynn and C. Olive Farwell of Lynn.

Aug. 13. Dana B. Mayo of Wakefield and Mabel G. Clark of Melrose.
Aug. 23. Ralph B. Forsyth of Hamilton and Effie M. Francis of Hamilton.
Aug. 30. John W. Burchstead of Hamilton and Emma R. Nichols of Hamilton.
Sept. 9. Harry E. Holmes of Lynn and Harriet H. Glover of Lynn.
Oct. 5. Samuel W. Hollingshead of Hamilton and Eunice Hanson of Wenham.
Oct. 13. Ernest S. Berry of Hamilton and Edith F. Moore of Hamilton.
Oct. 18. William Gould of Hamilton and Tryphena Moss of Hamilton.
Oct. 24. Loring W. Dodge of Hamilton and Hattie A. Goodhue of Hamilton.
Oct. 24. John M. Durand of Ipswich and Eugenie A. McIntire of Hamilton.
Oct. 28. Ralph B. Haskell of Hamilton and Catherine Lomasney of Hamilton.
Nov. 7. George E. Tuck of Hamilton and Anna J. Haskell of Rockport.
Nov. 12. Richard P. Hood of Boston and Maria Octava Josephine Bellanger of Paris, France.
Nov. 17. Hayes L. Addison of Wenham and Sadie M. Knowlton of Wenham.
Nov. 28. Timothy Connery of Hamilton and Rose Quigley of Boston.
Dec. 12. John W. McDonald of Hamilton and Ethel M. Jones of Beverly.

DEATHS RECORDED.

		Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.
Jan. 15.	William A. Smith	66	1	1
Jan. 20.	Martha I., wife of John McCaughn	45	5	26
Jan. 28.	Ernest W. Gray	24	11	28

Jan. 31.	Emin T. Phillips	67	6	19
Feb. 6.	Mary A., wife of Alexander Jones	41	8	27
Feb. 14.	Andrew B. Burnham	64	3	13
Feb. 20.	Charles A. Hills	59	7	8
Mar. 6.	Charles Poole			20
Mar. 17.	Helen Mildred Gwinn	17	8	12
May 6.	Lucinda K. Widow of Andrew Allen	89	7	10
May 8.	Daniel Lane	22		
May 8.	Martha E., wife of John L. Woodbury	58	9	23
May 17.	Doris Edna Busteed		7	6
June 2.	Edna Toner			1
June 5.	Lucinda, wife of David Coss	63	10	2
June 10.	John H. Walker	62	6	
June 17.	Elizabeth C., wife of Samuel A. Waite	66	9	9
June 16.	Rosanna Curran	5	7	16
June 27.	George H. Gardner	50	9	27
July 4.	Agnes, wife of Louis Saulnier	33	8	30
July 5.	Lucy B. Saulnier			5
July 6.	Sarah W., wife of Daniel W. Kimball, died in Boston	42	1	14
July 31.	Charles H. Perkins, died in Boston	63	3	19
Aug. 3.	James M. Milk	75	5	19
Aug. 13.	Charles K. Child	57	2	23
Aug. 24.	Mary J., widow Joseph D. Graves	89	6	
Aug. 31.	Unknown person struck by train			
Sept. 6.	Evelyn R. Christian	1	11	9
Sept. 13.	Fred G. Carroll	30	7	10
Sept. 28.	Oscar M. T. Hatt		9	17
Oct. 23.	John W. Ball	79	11	28
Oct. 26.	Robert L. Barker		1	17
Nov. 17.	Thomas Robinson	56		17
Dec. 17.	Caleb W. Dodge	76	3	24

BROUGHT INTO TOWN.

Jan. 4. Norman Nason
Jan. 24. Lucy A. Putnam
Nov. 14. Israel B. Watt
Dec. 19. Henry P. Lovering
Dec. 19. John F. Tucker

GEORGE T. LITCHFIELD,
Town Clerk.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Report of the Trustees and Librarian.

The Public Library is an integral part part of the educational system. Its mission is to continue the education of the people from the point where the formal training of the Public school ceases. Though a very important portion of its work is of necessity popular in character, it must avoid, if possible, the danger of merely promoting a superficial culture. It ministers to all classes. Besides being merely a purveyor of books of history, biography, fiction and other polite literature, it is of great assistance and should be more so, to those interested in the mechanic arts, drawing, electricity, poultry-raising, carpentering, and kindred bread-winning studies, and the trustees will be only too glad to confer with any library patron wishing the purchase of new books or publications adapted for use in these or other useful purposes.

To further the work of the library, it must be aggressive, not a passive agent. It must provoke and stimulate intellectual interests, it must not be content merely to meet demands, it must create them. To this end it is necessary to provide the requisite books and make them as accessible as possible.

Most of the books that have been added to the library during the past year have been books of fiction, and the very

best obtainable. The purchase of books for boys and young people have been made a feature. It is very necessary and desirable that we have additional space for a quiet reading and study room, and we recommend such additional space as soon as convenient.

The card catalogue has been brought up to date, and a very convenient accessory it is.

We take this opportunity to thank those who have been so kind as to contribute gifts. To Mrs. Julian Codman for books, to Mrs. Chester L. Dane of Boston, for a large lot of "English Country Life" magazines, to Mrs. Frank C. Norton for books, to Hannah S. Dodge and Abby V. Bowen, trustees of the estate of the late Mary Abby Dodge (Gail Hamilton) for a collection of books. This latter collection has been arranged on shelves in the committee room, but have not been classified, and the trustees sincerely hope that every library patron will carefully examine them.

The Woman's Education Society of Boston, have kindly loaned the library two (2) collections of photographs during the year, the first illustrating "Woman in Art," and the other representing "Scenes from All Countries." They have been very enjoyable and much appreciated.

Early in the summer of last year the trustees invited to the library a few times, all the school teachers and a number of other library patrons, with a view to talking over the needs of the library and desirable publications for purchase, the idea being to bring out as far as possible, the wants of patrons. These meetings were prolific of much good, and were apparently appreciated and enjoyed by those who attended. It is the intention of the trustees to hold many more of such meetings during this year.

A great many books and magazines will have to be rebound this year, and much extra work is expected to be done for the convenience and edification of the public.

An appropriation of four hundred dollars is recommended for the ensuing year.

W. C. WARE,
AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER,
GEORGE v. L. MEYER,
Trustees.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER in account with Trustees of Public Library at Hamilton, Mass.

DR.

Balance to credit of Library Trustee, March 1, 1906,	$371 41	
February 12, 1907. Received from John L. Woodbury, town treasurer, amount appropriated at last town meeting,	400 00	
February 15, 1906. Received from Grace C. Stone, librarian, amount of fines,	2 25	
		$773 66

CR.

June 9, 1906. Paid Warrant No. 1. Pilgrim Press, books,	$10 08	
Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books, magazines, etc.,	38 65	

W. H. Guild & Co., magazines,	$13 55	
Grace C. Stone, librarian, extra service, etc.,	39 50	
Edward L. Perley, binding,	18 25	
		$120 03

October 1, 1906. Paid Warrant No. 2.

Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books,	$10 83	
A. C. Cummings, cartage,	26 00	
Grace C. Stone, salary, librarian, three months,	25 00	
		$61 83

December 11, 1906. Paid Warrant No. 3.

Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books,	$26 95	
Grace C. Stone, librarian, salary, three months,	25 00	
Edward L. Perley, library cards,	4 25	
Library Bureau, cards,	1 88	
W. C. Ware, incidentals,	2 25	
A. C. Cummings, cartage,	22 00	
		$82 33
		$264 19
Balance to credit of Library Trustees March 1, 1907,		509 47
		$773 66

(Signed)

E. & O. E. AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER,

Treasurer.

Hamilton, Mass., March 1, 1907.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

STATISTICS.

Total number of volumes, March, 1906,	3709
" " " added,	508
" " " March, 1907,	4217
Number of volumes of fiction issued during year,	4517
" " history " "	383
" " biography " "	108
" " miscellaneous " "	375
Total number of volumes " "	5383
Number of magazines " "	1536
Total number of bound volumes and magazines,	6919
Number of cards issued during year,	66
Number of cards issued since library opened,	1389
Fines collected during year,	$2.25

GIFTS.

	Volumes Bound.
Estate Miss Mary A. Dodge (Gail Hamilton)	385
Mrs. Frank C. Norton,	5
Mrs. Codman,	5
State Massachusetts:	
Report of Committee on Charles River Dam,	1
Twelfth Regiment of Mass. Volunteer Infantry,	1
Mass. Soldiers and Sailors,	2
Pioneers of Mass.,	1
Third Mass. Regiment, 1861-1863,	1
Two Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin,	1
Public Documents: Journals, Acts and Resolves, Revised Laws,	6
New England Historical Genealogical Society, Vital Records,	8
U. S. Government Reports:	
Report of Board of Education,	1
Report of Smithsonian Institute,	1

Report of Library of Congress,	2
Manual General Court,	1
Interstate Commerce Commission,	2

	Pamphlets and Unbound Volumes
Mrs. Codman,	10
Mrs. French,	35
Mrs. Chester Dane,	85
Mrs. G. K. Knowlton, The New Voice, 1 year,	52
Mass. Public Documents,	25
Report of Trustees Soldier's Home, Chelsea,	1
Report Town of Topsfield,	1
Report Town of Wenham,	1
Report Marblehead Library,	1
Report Oxford Library,	1
Report Boston Library,	1
Miscellaneous,	44

GRACE C. STONE, *Librarian.*

Report of Cemetery Commissioners.

Account closed February 20, 1907.

At the last annual Town meeting George H. Gibney was re-elected cemetery commissioner for three years.

ORGANIZATION.

George K. Knowlton, chairman,	Term expires, 1908
George H. Gibney, secretary,	" " 1909
Frank C. Norton,	" " 1907

George E. Roberts, superintendent of cemetery.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation for care of cemetery and laying out additional grounds,	$500 00	

EXPENSES.

Paid A. T. Poole, painting tool house,	$12 00	
A. E. Whipple, labor in cemetery,	15 00	
J. F. Pitman, labor in cemetery,	3 50	
S. E. McGlauflin, sealing tomb,	3 25	
Hobbs & Warren, record books and supplies,	75 00	
F. C. Horton, supplies,	10 18	
C. A. Metcalf, surveying,	11 52	
C. E. Whipple, manure,	4 00	
George T. Litchfield, recording deeds,	8 50	
George K. Knowlton, time and expense,	4 28	
George E. Roberts, superintendent, labor,	54 00	
John R. Woodbury, repairing fence,	50	
		$201 23
Balance unexpended,		$298 77

As there are but two lots in the cemetery for sale it is probable that some additional land will have to be acquired soon, therefore the committee recommend an appropriation of $500 for the use of the commissioners.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,
GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
FRANK C. NORTON,
Cemetery Commissioners.

Report of the Cemetery Extension Committee.

At the annual town meeting held March 13, 1906, a cemetery extension committee consisting of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Cemetery Commissioners was elected.

The commmittee organized as follows:

George K. Knowlton, *chairman*, Isaac F. Knowlton,
George H. Gibney, *secretary*, Arthur C. Cummings,
Frank C. Norton.

The committee made an examination of land adjoining the cemetery, and also two other lots, one on the Farms road, called the Brown lot and one at South Hamilton known as the Kimball lot.

On May 15, 1906, a special town meeting was held and a report of the committee was presented by the chairman.

It had been found by the committee that the most desirable lot was one adjoining the cemetery on the southern side, known as the Smith lot belonging to the estate of the late Daniel E. Safford, and containing about eleven acres.

The purchase of this lot would be an extension of the cemetery grounds and would not be the opening up of a new and separate cemetery as in case of taking a lot farther away. But there was found to be one possibly serious obstacle to encounter in the use of this lot, a part of it contained water near the surface of the ground.

At an adjourned town meeting the committee was instructed to make further investigation and learn if the Smith lot could be properly drained for cemetery use. Charles A. Metcalf, civil engineer, was employed to furnish the committee with all necessary information. His report was very favorable, showing that the lot can be thoroughly drained.

In consulting the heirs to this property it was found that a seemingly excessive price was asked for the lot of about eleven acres, viz.: $7000.

Upon further investigation the committee decided that a smaller part of the lot would be sufficient for cemetery use, and cut it down to 7.4 acres on the lower end of the lot extending to the Miles river meadows; leaving just enough on the boundary line to make suitable connection with the present cemetery.

A plan of this lot was made by Mr. Metcalf for use of the committee at the adjourned town meeting held June 27th.

After a report at this meeting by the committee the following votes were passed: —

SPECIAL MEETING, JUNE 27, 1906.

Art. 4. Moved by George H. Gibney and seconded; That a sum not to exceed five thousand ($5000) dollars be and hereby is appropriated to be expended by the Selectmen in the purchase or taking, for the enlargement of the Cemetery in and belonging to the Town on the southeasterly side of Main street, of the following described parcel of land in Hamilton, being a portion of the lot known as the Smith lot, owned by the devises under the will of the late Daniel E. Safford, adjoining in part said Cemetery, namely; a parcel of land bounded and described as follows: a certain lot of land being a portion of the Smith lot, so called, beginning at the south-east corner of the Town Cemetery and running southeasterly by land of Garland, 881 feet, to land of I. F. Knowlton, thence southeasterly 241 feet by land of Knowlton to land of Harriet Fitz, thence by land of Fitz, 380 feet, to land of estate of Charles W. Foster, thence by land of Foster, 633 feet, thence by the remainder of Smith lot, 320 feet to the point begun at the same, containing seven and four-tenths

($7\frac{4}{10}$) acres according to the plan made by Charles A. Metcalf. Motion was carried, yes, 32; no, none.

Art. 5. Moved by George H. Gibney and seconded. That for the purpose of purchasing or taking land for the enlargement of the cemetery in and belonging to the town on the southeasterly side of main street the Town Treasurer be and hereby is authorized and directed to prepare and issue bonds or notes of the Town to the amount of five thousand ($5000) dollars or any part thereof that may be necessary of the denomination of one thousand ($1000) dollars each either coupon or registered or a part may be coupon and a part registered; said bonds or notes shall be dated June 1, 1906 and be payable as follows: one thousand ($1000) dollars thereof on the first day of June, 1907 and each succeeding year until paid. They shall be signed by the Town Treasurer and countersigned by a majority at least of the board of selectmen; shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four percentum (4% per annum) payable semi-annually in the months of December and June and said notes or bonds may be sold by treasurer either at private or public sale. Motion was carried as follows: yes, 33; no, none.

The matter of purchasing or taking the lot of land is in the hands of town counsel, Forest L. Evans at the present time.

George K. Knowlton,
George H. Gibney,
Isaac F. Knowlton,
Arthur C. Cummings,
Frank C. Norton,

Cemetery Extension Committee.

List of Appropriations as recommended by the Selectmen.

Highways,	$3000 00
Street watering,	700 00
Street lighting,	2250 00
Road roller,	500 00
Guard rails,	100 00
Sidewalks,	200 00
Poor department,	1300 00
Soldier's relief,	175 00
State aid,	700 00
Decoration day,	50 00
Town hall,	1000 00
Fire department,	150 00
Cemetery,	500 00
Tree Warden,	150 00
Salaries and fees,	2500 00
Library,	400 00
Snow,	2000 00
Cemetery committee,	100 00
Brown tail and gypsy moth,	2000 00
Town Hall and School House loans,	3150 00
Interest on said loans,	1100 00
Schools, see School Committee Report,	
Miscellaneous,	1000 00

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

Essex, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in the elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, in said Town, on Tuesday, the twelfth (12th) day of March, nineteen hundred and seven, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz.:

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ART. 3. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and act thereon.

ART. 4. Shall licenses be granted in the Town of Hamilton for the sale of intoxicating liquors for the year ensuing.

ART. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to accept Chapter 346 of the Laws of 1902. That Moderators of Town Meetings may be elected for terms of one year, etc.

ART. 7. To see what action the Town will take in regard to widening and straightening Farms road, and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will vote to provide and use the official ballot in the election of Town Officers as provided in chapter 11, Revised Laws, and amendments thereto, also to fix time for opening and closing the Polls as petitioned for by Fred A. Nason and others.

ART. 9. To see what action the town will take toward repairing the sidewalk on the easterly side of Asbury street, between the farm of Preston Lovering and Park street, and appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty ($150.00) dollars for the same as petitioned by Joseph Faulkner and others.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take toward building sidewalks on Hamilton avenue and make an appropropriation for the same as petitioned for by S. C. Gould and others.

ART. 11. To see what action the Town will take toward placing a bell on the Fire Department Building situated on Willow street and appropriate a sum of money for the same as petitioned for by A. J. Chandler and others.

ART. 12. To see what action the Town will take toward painting the Town Hall Building and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed fifty ($50.00) dollars for the purpose of observing Decoration day by the soldiers of the Rebellion.

ART. 14. To appropriate money for the repairs of highways, townways and bridges, and all other town expenses and to determine the manner of spending the same.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

ART. 16. To see what action the Town will take toward enlarging the Cemetery, by the purchase of more land, and to take any action thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will appropriate money for the purchase or taking, for the purpose of enlarging the Cemetery in and belonging to the Town on the southeasterly side of Main street, of the whole or part of the lot of land in Hamilton, known as the Smith lot, containing about eleven (11) acres owned by devises under the will of the late Daniel E. Safford, adjoining in part said cemetery, and will authorize the Selectmen to purchase the whole or a part of said lot for said purposes and to see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners

for the taking for said purposes of the whole or a portion of said Smith lot, in case the owners thereof refuse to sell the same to the Town or demand therefor a price which the Selectmen consider unreasonable.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will authorize the issue of bonds or notes of the Town for the purpose of purchasing or taking land in Hamilton for the enlargement of the Cemetery in and belonging to the Town on the southeasterly side of Main street.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will accept the first fourteen (14) sections of Chapter 28 of the Revised Laws, authorizing cities and towns to lay out public parks within their limits.

ART. 20. In case of the acceptance of Article 19, to see if the Town will elect a board of three (3) Park Commissioners, one for a term of three years; one for a term of two years and one for a term of one year.

ART. 21. To see what action the Town will take toward widening Chebacco street and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

ART. 22. To see what action the town will take toward fixing the salaries of the Town officials.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to hire money under the direction of the Selectmen, in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes, which a Town Treasurer when appointed collector may use agreeable to chapter 25, section 75 of the Revised Laws.

Art. 25. To determine what time tax bills shall be issued and taxes become due.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as proposed and posted by the Selectmen.

Art. 27. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the meeting House, one at the Town Hall, and one at the Wenham Depot Post Office, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-seventh day of February, 1907, A. D.

Isaac F. Knowlton,
George H. Gibney,
Arthur C. Cummings,
Selectmen of Hamilton.

LIST OF JURORS.

As proposed by the Selectmen.

Appleton, Charles W.	Carpenter
Ayers, George P.	Farmer
Berry, Fred	Farmer
Dane, Arthur H.	Clerk
Dane, Frank	Laborer
Gibney, Edward P.	Carpenter
Gibney, George H.	Real Estate
Goodhue, Samuel G.	Farmer
Knowlton, Isaac F.	Farmer
Litchfield, George T.	Janitor
Lovett, Elbridge D.	Trader
Mann, John R.	Carpenter
Peterson, Charles A.	Carpenter
Roberts, Clarence P.	Laborer
Smith, Everett A.	Farmer
Towle, Addison B.	Carpenter
Whipple, Austin A.	Farmer

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMILTON

1906-1907

SALEM, MASS.
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School Committee's Report.

Annual report of the School Committee of the Town of Hamilton, 1906-1907:

ORGANIZATION.

George K. Knowlton, Chairman,	Term expires 1907
Everett A. Smith, Secretary,	" " 1908
Lester E. Libby,	" " 1909

Andrew S. Thomson, Superintendent.
George K. Knowlton, Purchasing Agent.
J. Choate Underhill, Truant Officer.
Fred A. Nason, Truant Officer.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

(Closed Feb. 13, 1907.)

Amount appropriated for Town School,		$5,500 00
" "	High School pupils,	2,400 00
" "	Transportation of scholars,	800 00
" "	special for Town High School,	500 00

Town appropriation,	9200 00
Received from State on account of Superintendent,	250 00
Received from City of Boston for tuition of scholars,	57 00
Dog tax,	372 54
	$9,879 54

PAID TEACHERS.

Mr. E. Channing Polk,	$400 00	
Miss Harriet E. Boynton,	602 21	
" Dessa M. Washburn,	472 50	
" Annie W. Chase,	279 05	
" Carrie E. Robie,	391 41	
" Edith W. Elliott,	90 00	
" Alice E. Wilcomb,	380 00	
" Nelly G. Cutting,	399 94	
Mrs. Grace C. Stone,	399 84	
Mrs. Grace O. Lamson,	380 00	
Miss Susan M. Paine,	212 00	
" Edith L. Fletcher,	112 00	
" N. Mae Withey,	40 00	
" Caroline Black,	10 00	
" Annie L. Dodge,	6 00	
" Myrtle Allen,	5 00	
" Mary Griffin,	4 00	
" Isabel Cline,	67 00	
Mr. George F. Smith,	85 00	
		$4,336 05

PAID FOR CARE OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

Fred C. Shaller,	$355.00	
Sylvester Day,	18 00	
Thomas A. Poole,	14 00	
Harry L. Blaisdell,	18 00	
Francis J. Hart,	18 00	
William J. Elliott,	6 14	
		$429 14

PAID FOR FUEL.

Charles S. Gwinn,	$332 66	
John Girdler,	25 00	
Everett A. Smith,	21 00	
Isaac F. Knowlton,	12 00	
William H. Dodge,	8 00	
Arthur W. Day,	7 00	
		$405 66

PAID FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

L. E. Knott, Apparatus Co.	$240 04
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	156 83
Ginn & Co.,	101 95
A. J. Tiffany,	70 00
J. L. Hammett Co.,	44 12
D. C. Heath & Co.,	15 18
Almy, Bigelow & Washburn,	6 75
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	5 00
George T. Smith,	2 25

H. E. Boynton,	1 05	
Citizen Printing Co.,	4 25	
		$647 42

MISCELLANEOUS.

James F. Dean, stove for West school house,	$29 50
James F. Dean, repairing stove, Centre schoolhouse,	8 70
Mrs. A. F. Lougee, labor at Centre schoolhouse,	1 00
Robert Robertson Co., repairing pump, East school,	3 60
Robert Robertson Co., repairing pump, South school,	4 76
Robert Robertson, Co., water supplies,	1 00
Henry A. Wheeler, flag,	2 96
C. E. Doner, filling diplomas,	3 25
Edward Perley, binding books,	27 80
Zina Goodell, repairing steam pump,	5 85
Harris' Express,	2 00
Waters & Brown, hardware,	3 70
American Seating Co., desks	201 60
W. B. Badger & Co., school furniture,	114 00
Forman A. Crosby, repairing South school chimney,	59 50
Citizen Printing Co., printing,	9 00
Mrs. Annie Curran, labor at Center and North schools,	6 50

S. Day, sanitary and school-yard work,	8 00
F. C. Shaller, school-room supplies and expressage,	1 25
Everett A. Smith, cleaning funnel, West school,	2 00
Whitcomb-Carter Co., wheelbarrow,	4 00
Whitcomb-Carter Co., sanitary paper holders,	7 20
A. C. Lunt, schoolroom supplies,	5 40
Daniel Pratt's Son, two clocks,	8 75
C. S. Gwinn, cover for cesspool,	4 50
W. G. Webber Co., window shades, South school,	23 66
Scully & Morrow, wrench and poker,	5 50
James W. Hart, labor at West schoolhouse,	4 00
L. E. Libby paid Bligh McGlauflin for labor,	2 00
C. A. Peterson, stock and labor on schoolhouses,	44 33
A. C. Cummings, carriage, express and freight,	57 82
S. C. Gould, schoolroom supplies,	6 00
F. C. Norton, schoolroom supplies,	7 98
John W. Goodhue, schoolroom supplies,	5 78
J. C. Underhill, services as truant officer,	4 60
Fred A. Nason, services as truant officer,	75
Andrew S. Thomson, carfare, telephone, postage, etc.	11 60
George K. Knowlton, repairs and cash paid out,	15 91

George K. Knowton, expense six trips to Boston,	8 25	
George K. Knowlton, taking school census,	10 00	
		$734 00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid Andrew S. Thomson,	$450 00	

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS.

Paid Boston & Maine Railroad Co.,	268 22	
Boston & Northern Street Ry. Co.,	135 00	
Lester E. Libby, for scholars tickets,	296 35	
Albert R. Merrill,	18 70	
James B. Hart,	17 50	
Caleb W. Dodge,	8 75	
Quinn McGregor,	5 83	
Peter Smith,	1 00	
		$751 35

PAID TUITION FOR HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARS.

City of Beverly,	$1,687 50	
City of Salem,	300 00	
Albert R. Merrill,	50 00	
		$2,037 50

GROSS RECEIPTS FOR ALL SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Town appropriation,	$9,200 00	
From State on account of Superintendent,	250 00	
Dog tax,	372 54	
City of Boston,	57 00	
		$9,879 54

GROSS EXPENSE FOR ALL SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Paid for teachers,	$4,336 05	
Care of schoolhouses,	429 14	
Fuel,	405 66	
School supplies,	647 42	
Miscellaneous,	734 00	
Superintendent of schools,	450 00	
Tuition High school scholars,	2037 50	
Transportation of scholars,	751 35	
		$9,791 12
Balance unexpended,		$88 42

PUPILS ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOLS.

for the year ending June, 1907.

Beverly.

Tuition for each scholar, $50.00.

Grade XI.	Grade XII.
Leverett L. Durkee	Bligh C. McGlauflin
Justin A. Fitz	Mercy G. Abbott
Harold L. Knowlton	Ella W. Chandler
Edward S. Vennard	Annie F. Crosby
Hepsy G. Roberts	Rosetta P. Jones
Ellen Hart	Martha W. Dodge
Frank J. Burton, half year	Bertha M. Durkee
Percy W. Burton, half year	Mary E. Potter
	Elizabeth A. Robinson

Grade XIII.

George I. Dodge	Lawrence H. Striley
Findley D. McDonald	Elsie M. Peterson
Joseph L. Roberts	Catherine J. McDonald

Vera Jones

Salem.

Tuition for each scholar, $50.00.

Walter E. Cheever	Nellie C. Goodridge
Samuel T. Haraden	Florence W. Goodridge
Myrtle A. Small	Mae E. Schaller

Albert R. Merrill allowed $50.00 for tuition of daughter in Lynn High School.

ESTIMATE FOR SCHOOLS.

Following is an estimate of the amount of money that should be appropriated by the Town for all public school purposes for the year 1907–8.

For Town public schools,	$6,895 00	
Tuition scholars to City High Schools,	1,400 00	
Transportation,	400 00	
		$8,695 00

The above table shows the material lessening of the amount of money paid by the Town for tuition and transportation to other High schools, and which may now be applied to our own High and other schools so far as may be necessary.

Should the Town desire the committee to furnish transportation for pupils to our own schools in those cases where it would seem to be necessary and right to do so, an appropriation of $100 should be made for that purpose.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

The committee recommends an appropriation for the following purposes.

For shingling East school buildings,	$70 00	
For painting inside Centre school rooms,	40 00	
For rebuilding chimney West schoolhouse,	50 00	
		$160.00

INSURANCE.

Insurance on the following schoolhouses will expire May 12, 1907. The committee recommends an appropriation of $52.50 for its renewal.

Centre schoolhouse, insured for				$900.00	
North	"	"	"	700.00	
West	"	"	"	700.00	
East	"	"	"	700.00	
					$3000 00

Additional insurance has been placed on the South schoolhouse in the following companies:

Royal Insurance Co. of Liverpool, Eng.,	$4000 00	
Palatine Insurance Co. of London, Eng.,	2000 00	
Fire Association of Philadelphia,	2000 00	
Insured for five years and covers the whole building.		$8,000 00

Cost of the insurance $240.00.

Expires August 11, 1911.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

To the School Committee of Hamilton:

Gentlemen:—In submitting my report I would say that I have attended to my duties in looking after quite a number of cases of absence and truancy during the part of the year which I have served as truant officer.

Yours truly,

J. C. UNDERHILL.

To the School Committing of Hamilton:

Gentlemen:—Since my appointment as Truant Officer for the Town of Hamilton by your board, I am pleased to say that

I have been called upon by the teachers to look after absent scholars but four times, and in each of those cases it was represented by the parents that sickness was the cause of absence.

I have met school children on the street a number of times when the schools were in session and I have inquired as to the cause of their absence, and their answers have been satisfactory to me.

Respectfully yours,

FRED A. NASON.

In presenting our report to the citizens of the town we have to record a year of strenuous work.

The four room extension to the South schoolhouse during the summer vacation, and the establishment of a High school course were matters of much importance to the educational interests of the town.

It has been done none too soon as will be seen by reference to the record of the last school census which shows an increase in the number of school children in town large enough to make a fair sized school.

Two rooms of the four in the new extension are already in use; one of them being fitted up with students' chairs and used for a recitation room to the High school.

Probably it will be necessary to furnish this room with desks by another year.

A fine laboratory room has been fitted up in the basement and everything necessary for the use of scholars in the High school will probabiy be furnished for that room.

As our pupils in other High schools are graduated, and as

no more will enter at the expense of the Town, we shall save quite a sum of money for use in our own schools which would otherwise be paid out for tuition and transportation.

The East school buildings need to be shingled, the Centre school should be painted inside, and the chimney of the West school needs to be re-built.

An appropriation of $160.00 is recommended for this purpose.

For a report in detail of the work and progress of the schools see the report of the Superintendent.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,
EVERETT A. SMITH,
LESTER E. LIBBY,

School Committee.

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

It is my privilege to submit herewith to you my fifth annual report of the work in the schools of the town. It is to be understood that the statistical tables are for the school year ending June, 1906. Other matters of interest are brought up to the beginning of the present calendar year. We hope that the townspeople will find the discussion of school questions of concern and value.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Last spring when the school committee explained to the citizens at Town meeting the necessity of increased school accommodations in the south end of the town and advised the erection of a four room addition to the South school building and the establishment of a High school, the project was undertaken and pushed forward with energy and dispatch quite commendable which argues well for the general desire that the town's schools may be on a par with those of the best towns about us.

We have an eight room modern building which is a credit to the town and will provide sufficient room for the pupils of the grade schools for a number of years to come. The plans and construction of the building will be difficult to excel.

The four old rooms of the South building are occupied by the first seven grades. The numbers in these grades bid fair to overcrowd these rooms the next school year. The eighth, ninth and tenth grades occupy the two upper rooms of the addition. These three grades are taught by two teachers and comprise the High school department. The eighth grade is not considered a High school grade proper and will not be in the High school eventually when the eleventh and twelfth are formed.

Last spring the ninth grade work was finished by thirteen pupils not all of whom were eligible for the tenth grade in Beverly or Salem, but since it was decided to do the tenth grade work in Hamilton they were given permission to enter that class. Three of the pupils are attending Beverly or Salem High school: seven returned to school in town some of whom have since dropped out.

A course of study is established which corresponds very nearly with the course in Beverly High school. Some of these studies were not adapted to the need of all the pupils and the more practical subjects of bookkeeping and civil government were offered in their stead.

The establishment of a High school is a difficult task and often a discouraging one. It is the firm determination of the School Committee to offer a good High school course and to have the school equipped with all needed apparatus. A fine laboratory has been built in the basement where the sciences can be taught to good advantage. The school provides a course which fits for the Normal schools and colleges; also a a course to prepare pupils for business positions. The instruction in these subjects will be thorough and the influences

exerted over the pupils who are at home and kept off the trains and cars will be a great factor in their physical and moral upbuilding.

COURSE OF STUDY.

1. Sixteen periods per week of prepared work are required of every pupil.

2. This course may be altered to meet the needs of the school at any time.

3. The numbers after the studies denote the number of periods per week.

Grade IX.

Required studies:

English	4
History, Greek and Roman	4
Mathematics, Algebra and Arithmetic	4
Elementary Science	2
Latin	3

Grade X.

Required studies:

English	4
Mathematics, Geometry	4

Electives:

History, English	4
Latin	4
French	4
Bookkeeping and Penmanship	4

Grade XI.

Required:

English	4

Electives:

Science, Chemistry	4
Latin	4
French	4
Business	4
Physical Geography and Botany	4

Grade XII.

Required:

English	4

Electives:

Science, Physics	4
Latin	3
French	4
German	3
History, European	3
Stenography	4
Typewriting	2
Bookkeeping	3

Grade XIII.

Required:

English	4

Electives:

Science, Geology and Astronomy	4
Latin	4
German	4
History, U. S.	4

Stenography	4
Typewriting	4
Bookkeeping	3
Mathematics, Review	4

THE EIGHTH GRADE.

During the present year the West school and Center are sending their eighth grade pupils to the South school. The other district schools have no pupils in the eighth grade. The children from the Center can easily walk. The two pupils from the West district are providing their own means of transportation. It should be the policy of the town to transport the eighth grade to the South school. It gives the needed relief to the district schools and an opportunity of performing the year's work more thoroughly.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

At the last session of the Massachusetts legislature a law was passed which requires every school child to be examined by his teacher or superintendent for defective eyesight and hearing. It is surprising to discover from this examination how large a number of children suffer from defective eyesight and hearing and who are nevertheless unconscious of the fact. These cases have been reported to the parents and good results are already manifest. When very defective children are found whose parents are not financially able to secure the services of a specialist, means should be provided by which the children may receive proper attention. A small endowment fund for this purpose by some philanthropist and friend of the town would be a gracious gift.

The law also requires that a physician shall be appointed by the school board who may be called upon by the teachers for advice concerning the health of pupils. In cases where children have been exposed to infectious diseases or have recovered from some disease and wish to return to school, teachers are often in doubt as to the course to pursue. At these times the school physician's advice is imperative. A small sum should be provided in Town meeting which will carry out this law.

SCHOOL DECORATION.

The walls of most of our schools are bare and unadorned with pictures. This is a state of affairs to be remedied. It is a great uplift for the children to live in the presence of the beautiful in nature and art. Good light, neatly tinted walls, a few inspiring pictures, in a thoroughly clean and orderly schoolroom make lasting impressions for good in the lives of the children.

It has been some years since the walls and ceilings of our district schools have been freshened. They have become very dingy and need to be painted and tinted. The West school is sadly in need of a new chimney.

SALARIES.

Everyone has been made forcibly to realize the increased cost of living in the last few years. The mechanic has felt the extra strain upon his income and has demanded and is receiving a better return for his labor. This extra pressure is to some extent effecting the teachers salaries though not in proportion to the extra expense of her living. The requirement for a

first-class teacher today is three-fold: first, she must be personally adapted to teach, well trained and experienced; then she must keep up to the trend of educational movements by taking papers, magazines and attending lectures; lastly she must be neatly dressed and physically in trim, which necessitates a comfortable room, good board and recreation. All of these requisites are expensive. The teacher who fulfils these requirements and has the power to discipline and properly instruct a class of from forty to fifty children is in demand and the town must pay reasonable salaries or it is destined to lose its best teachers. The town of Hamilton is financially able to pay its teachers liberal salaries and good teachers should be retained as long as possible.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

The subject uppermost in the minds of many educators and manufacturers at the present hour is industrial training and trades schools for the future artisan. Our public schools are criticized for being unpractical and in failing to give children adequate training for their after school life. Many a child drops out of school as soon as the compulsory age of attendance is passed. These boys and girls go into the factories and shops as unskilled labor. If our schools offered an opportunity for these same pupils to stay to learn a trade they would enter the great mercantile enterprises as skilled workers. It is evident that the trend of modern education is toward industrial education and continuation of trade schools. This movement is inceptive in our common schools in the form of sewing classes, manual training, school gardens and business

courses. Our opportunity to fall into line with the march of progress is by inaugurating a business course in our High school and sewing classes in our grammar schools.

TEACHERS.

The following are the changes and additions in our teaching force: Ellery C. Polk, a graduate of Tufts College and a a teacher of experience, was hired as principal of the High school. Miss Harriet E. Boynton, who had been principal of the grammar school, was made assistant in the High school. Miss Susan M. Paine, a graduate of the Salem Normal school, was secured to teach the fourth and fifth grades in the South school. Upon the resignation of Miss Anna Chase, who secured a more lucrative position in Swampscott, Miss Edith L. Fletcher was engaged to teach the South upper primary. Miss Isabel Cline our drawing teacher, resigned in December. Her position has not yet been filled.

In closing this report I wish to thank the teachers for their cordial attitude toward me at all times and to express my gratitude to the committee for their continual confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW S. THOMSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

Music Report.

To the School Board of Hamilton Mass:

Gentlemen: — I am pleased to state that the schools are steadily gaining in their musical ability both in reading music at sight and also in appreciation of good music and some have now acquired the ability to write tunes that they know and to transpose them from one key to another. This writing songs and transposing them into the different keys has proven to be very interesting to the scholars and very helpful in acquiring a knowledge of the elements of music and training the ear to recognize the tones quickly. We need new up to date music books in the schools, with more good songs and less exercises. The old book has been sung through and is not good enough for the work we are able to accomplish in this line of study.

I encouraged the scholars in some of the schools to buy a book of old folk songs arranged for school work at four cents a copy and it has helped us out a great deal this year.

In the High School we are studying some octavo music which is very inspiring and the scholars are singing very satisfactorily. Thanking the teachers for their interest and help.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. SMITH,

Supervisor of Music.

CENSUS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER, 1906.

Number of children in town between five and fifteen years of age.		
Boys,	166	
Girls,	149	
Total,		315
Number between seven and fourteen		
Boys,	120	
Girls,	109	
Total,		229
Whole number September, 1906,	315	
Whole number September, 1905,	286	
Increase of the number of children in town between five and fifteen,	29	

ROLL OF HONOR.

The numbers indicate the number of terms the pupils has not been absent.

North School.

John E. Cox, 3
William F. Cox, 2
Lester S. Durkee, 2
Bessie M. McGregor, 1
Herman D. Durkee, 1

East School.

Abbott Preston, 2
Herbert Wood, 1
Norman Day, 3
Richard Preston, 1

Center School.

Jennie Fisher, 1
Walter Holton, 2
Isabel Nichols, 1
James Pool, 2
Helen Sweeney, 1
James Elliott, 1
Letitia Elliott, 1
Bernice Austin, 1
Tom Pool, 1

West School.

Florence Peatfield, 1
Clarence Tufts, 1
Francis Hart, 2
James Hart, 2
Austin Miller, 1
Catherine Connelly, 1
Hugh Duran, 1
Edward Connelly, 1
Lena Harradin, 1
Grace Harradin, 1
Roger Taylor, 1

South Upper Primary.

Daisy Bach, 1
Clara Frear, 1
Mary Sculley, 1
Ethel Williams, 1
Lena Williams, 1
Lawrence Dodge, 1
Peter Martin, 1
Willie Taylor, 2
Robert Chandler, 1
Charles McGlauflin, 1
John McGinley

South Grammar.

Pauline Chandler, 2
Anna Hart, 2
Eleanor Peterson, 2
Rufus Barrett, 1
Martha Cross, 1
Abbie Frear, 1
S. Evelyn Gould, 1
Christie Hall, 1
Marion Jones, 1
William McGarry, 1
Viola Striley, 1

South Lower Grammar.

Furber Libbey, 3
Ruth Cross, 2
Walter Newcomb, 2
Gladys Smith, 2
Sarah Turnbull, 1
Mae Vroom, 1
James Gwinn, 1
Abbie McGlauflin, 2
Rebecca Jeddrie, 1
Olive Conrad, 1
William Torngren, 1
Houston Jewett, 1

South Primary.

Ruth Nutter, 1
Walter Ramsdell, 1
May Gammell, 1
Eleanor Andrews, 1
Ellsworth Benoit, 1
Edward Dixon, 1
George Saulnier, 1
Forest Shepparson, 1

CLASS OF 1906

HAMILTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

GRADUATING EXERCISES

TOWN HALL, HAMILTON, FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 15, AT 2.00 O'CLOCK

Program

MARCH . . . . . Miss Schaller
INVOCATION . . . . . Rev. J. J. Goodacre
ANTHEM —"O Thou, Whose Power" . . . . *Whittaker*
School
DECLAMATION — "William Lloyd Garrison" . . . Frank Jewett
RECITATION — "Each and All" . . . . Ethel Abbott
CHORUS —"Let Our Voices Be Glad" . . . . . *Lecocq*
ORATION—"The Grandeur of American Scenery" . . Ritchie Small
DECLAMATION—"The Present Crisis" . . . . Ralph Berry
SOLO—"Springtime" . . . . . Florence McGregor
ESSAY—"What We Owe to the Past" . . . . Evelyn Gould
CHORUS—"Soldiers' Chorus" . . . . . *Gounod*
School
DECLAMATION—"Ulysses" . . . . Augustine Dodge
DUET—"Evening Song" . . . . .
Bessie Dodge Florence McGregor
RECITATION—"The Painter of Seville" . . .
Scene I Anna Hart
Scene II Katharine Hart
SONG—"The Flag" . . . . . *Crosby*
Ephraim Pitman Frank Jewett
Ritchie Small Ralph Berry
ESSAY—"Gail Hamilton" . . . . . Violet Taylor
CLASS PROPHECY . . . . . Eleanore Robinson
CHORUS—"Anchored" . . . . . Watson
School
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS . . . .
Chairman of School Committee
BENEDICTION . . . . . Rev. A. D. Gorham

Class Motto:

"To Strive, To Seek, To Find, and Not to Yield"

GRADUATES

Ethel Mae Abbott
Ralph Clinton Berry
Augustine Dalton Dodge
Bessie Edith Dodge
Sarah Evelyn Gould
Anna Mitch Hart
Katherine Henrietta Hart
Frank Maynard Jewett
Florence Louise McGregor
Ephraim Washington Pitman
Eleanore Glover Robinson
George Ritchie Small
Violet Eleanor Taylor

MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Mr. George F. Smith

PIANISTS

Miss Mae Schaller Miss Eleanor Robinson

(No parts are assigned according to rank)

SCHOOL CALENDAR.

1907-1908.

March 29.	All schools close for spring vacation. Thirteen weeks in term.
April 8.	South schools opens for spring term.
April 8.	District schools open for spring term.
June 21.	District schools close for summer vacation. Eleven weeks in term.
June 28.	South schools close for summer vacation. Twelve weeks in term.
September 9.	All schools open for fall term.
November 27.	All schools close for Thanksgiving. Twelve weeks in term.
December 2.	All schools open for winter term.
December 20.	All schools close for Christmas.
December 30.	High school open.
January 6.	Grade schools open.
March 20, 1908.	All schools close for spring vacation. Fifteen weeks in term.
March 30.	All schools open for spring term.
June 19.	Grade schools close for summer vacation.
June 26.	High school close for summer vacation.

SCHOOLS, SALARIES, TEACHERS, ETC., SEPTEMBER, 1906.

TEACHERS.	SCHOOL.	GRADES.	SALARY	WHERE EDUCATED.
Mr. E. Channing Polk	High School	VII, IX, X	$800	Tufts College
Miss Harriet E. Boynton	Assistant in High		600	Salem Normal and Radcliffe College
Miss Dessa M. Washburn	South Grammar	VI—VII	532	New Hampshire Normal
Miss Susan M. Paine	South Lower Grammar	IV—V	400	Salem Normal
Miss Edith L. Fletcher	South Upper Primary	II—III	400	Salem Normal
Miss Carrie E. Robie	South Primary	I	425	Lancaster Academy
Miss Alice E. Wilcomb	Center School	I—VII	380	Bridgewater Normal
Mrs. Grace C. Stone	North School	I—VII	400	Ipswich High
Miss Nelly G. Cutting	East School	I—VII	400	Salem Normal
Mrs. Grace O. Lamson	West School	I—VII	380	Quincy Training School

NAMES OF SCHOOLS. 1905-6.	Months and Days.	Number Enrolled.	Number Boys.	Girls.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent of Attendance.	No. between 5 and 15 years.	No. between 7 and 14 years.	No. over 15 years.	No. under 5 years.
South Grammar	9–6	49	18	31	45	41	92	37	23	12	0
South Lower Gammar	9–8	40	22	18	38	32	92	37	36	3	0
South Upper Primary	9–6	54	26	28	49	46	94	54	52	0	0
South Primary	9–8	63	36	27	53	48	90	63	13	0	0
Center School	9–8	29	14	15	25	23	91	26	23	1	2
North School	9–8	15	11	4	16	15	93	15	11	0	0
East School	9–5	23	12	11	25	22	88	23	15	0	0
West School	9–3	27	14	13	23	21	93	25	21	0	0
Total		300	153	147	274	248	92	280	194	16	2